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- 25X1 1. As a result of a formal notice issued by the National General Union of Chinese Seamen (NGUCS), all shipping firms in Wuchow (111-19, 23-28) notified their employees on land and afloat that a democratic reform movement¹ was to be introduced, effective from 15 July 1952.
2. The aim of this movement is to purge the sons and daughters of landlords and other suspected reactionaries. Whether all members of the families of ex-landlords will be compelled to confess or not will depend almost entirely on the good will of the person's colleagues and fellow workers.
3. The NGUCS will in due course pay an official visit to every ship to start proceedings in the investigation of ships' crews.
- 25X1 1. Comment. This reform movement may possibly be identical with the impending purge which was described on 22 July 1952 in the Hong Kong South China Morning Post. The dispatch, datelined Taipei, was as follows: "A new purge, known as the 'Three Probes' has been launched in Peiping to sustain the unrelentless control of the masses, following the recently-concluded 'anti-three' and 'anti-five' campaigns, according to reliable underground sources today. This new campaign is designed for even more far-reaching control of the masses than the 'anti drives' in that it embodies the following points: (1) to investigate parentage background; (2) mode of living; and (3) social relations."

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